

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 were pending as of the action mailed on July 30, 2007. Claims 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, and 21 are in independent form.

Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 17, 18, 21, and 22 were rejected.

Claims 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19, 20, 23, and 24 were objected to.

Dependent claims 3, 7, 11, 15, 19, and 23, all of which were identified by the examiner as containing patentable subject matter, are being canceled; and their limitations are being incorporated in their respective independent claims along with the limitations of their respective base claims. The applicant has done so to expedite prosecution and place all the independent claims and their dependent claims in condition for allowance. Dependent claims 2, 6, and 10, from which claims 3, 7, and 11 depend, are therefore also being canceled.

Claims 1, 4-5, 8-9, 12-13, 16-17, 20-22, and 24 are being amended. No new matter has been added. Apart from the amendment to the independent claims just described, the amendments update claim dependencies after the cancellation of claims and change the preambles of claims 9, 12, 21-22, and 24 to refer to a "system" rather than an "apparatus", as the term "system" is more appropriate for the recited combination of a client and a server.

The applicant respectfully submits that these amendments place the application in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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